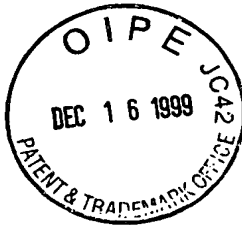


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Date: December 9, 1999  
ALFRED CELLIER :  
Serial No. 09/235,112 : Group Art Unit: 3661  
Filed: January 21, 1999 :  
For: OVERHEAD SYSTEM OF : Examiner: (Unknown)  
INCLINED ECCENTRIC  
GEOSYNCHRONOUS  
ORBITING SATELLITES

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A first Office Action has not yet been received by Applicant for the above-identified patent application.

The attention of the Office is drawn to the following pending patent applications:

1. Application bearing Serial Number 08/876,278, filed June 16, 1997, and entitled "Coordinatable System of Inclined Geosynchronous Satellite Orbits", inventors Alfred Cellier and Raul D. Rey, (Attorney Docket Number PD-970174);
2. Application bearing Serial Number 09/119,680, filed July 21, 1998, entitled "Coordinatable System Of Inclined Eccentric Geosynchronous Orbits", filed July 21, 1998 as a CIP of Serial Number 08/876, 278, filed June 16, 1997, (Attorney Docket Number PD-980069).

3. Application bearing Serial Number 09/299,117, filed April 24 1999, entitled "Satellite Communication System", Attorney Docket Number PD-980209;
4. An application entitled "Coordinatable System of Inclined Geosynchronous Satellite Orbits", inventors Alfred Cellier and Raul D. Rey, (Attorney Docket Number PD-970174A), was filed on November 19, 1999 (Serial Number unknown) which is a divisional application of Serial Number 08/876,278, filed June 16, 1997.

All four patent applications are assigned to Hughes Electronics Corporation, the assignee of the present application and the attention of the Office is drawn to these applications in accordance with the duty of disclosure defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 since it may be material to the examination of the above-identified patent application.

All of these patent applications relate to satellites in inclined geosynchronous orbits or inclined eccentric geosynchronous orbits.

Additionally references cited in connection with these patent applications are listed on accompanying PTO Form 1449 (copies of references enclosed).

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